# NC COVID



How can you tell and avoid creating duplicates?

### New Person, New Event, or New Lab



**New Person** – You add a new person in the application when you have searched and determined that a person that matched your search criteria does not exist

## New Person, New Event, or New Lab



**New Event** – you add a new event when you search and determine that a person matching your criteria exists

#### AND

- They have a closed event OR
- They have an open event where the specimen collection date of a positive lab that is outside of the 90day window

## New Person, New Event, or New Lab

Add Lab Result

New Lab – you add a new lab onto an existing event on an existing person when you confirm that the person matched your search criteria AND they have an open event where the specimen collection date of the positive lab is within the 90-day window

# Searching Recap



### **Search Features**

Users can search 2 ways to determine if a person/event already exists:

#### **Person Search**



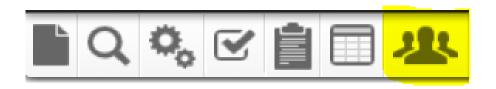
 Displays all PERSON, regardless of the county groups(s) you see/are assigned to

#### **Event Search**



 Only displays persons with disease EVENTS within the county group(s) the user has permission to see

#### **Search Person Feature**

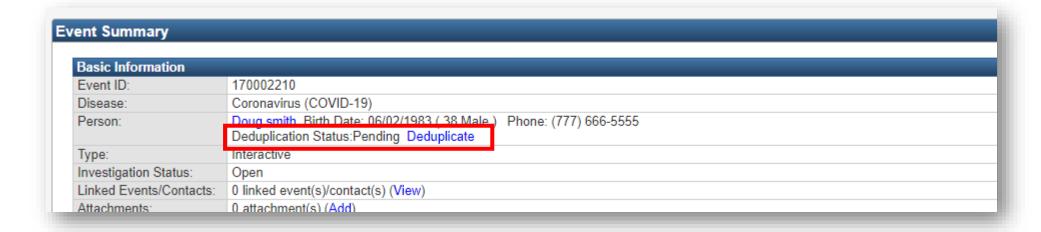


- ALL users can see ALL persons in NC COVID
- Searching for a person can ensure that you don't create a duplicate person/event
- Searching for a person is the RECOMMENDED search procedure

### **Search Event Feature**

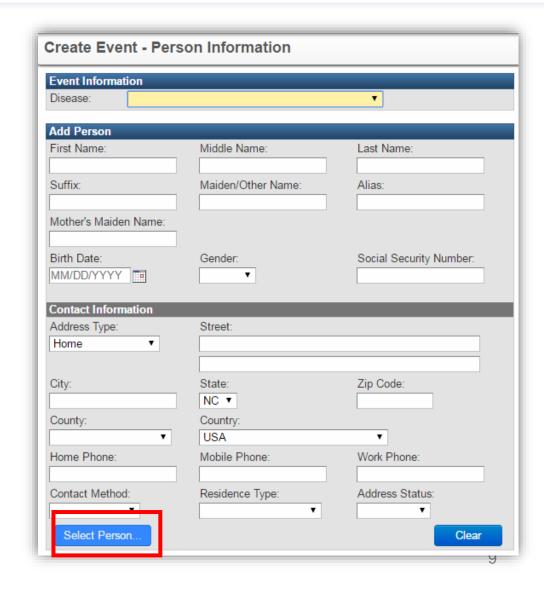


- Users can only see events in the county group(s) they are assigned
- Searching by event can lead to mistakes with creating duplicate persons



#### **Search vs Select Person**

- The Search Person icon is NOT the same as going straight to the Create Event icon and clicking the Person button
- When you search on a person from the Create Event screen you are automatically telling the application that you want to create a new event if you select a person from the search



# Searching for a Person



**Screen Shots and Guidance** 



Search Party (Person) screen offers elements available when you create a person



- Search using one or more fields and with wildcards
- Be Creative!
  - -Name (first and/or last combination) & DOB
  - -Name Only-using variations of names that have alternative spellings or first names with common nicknames
- DOB only
- SSN
- Phone Number

## Examples of possible names to Search

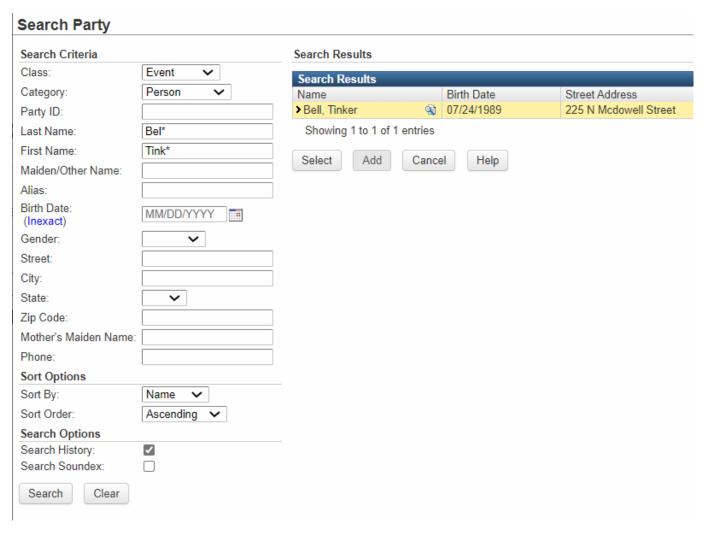
	Smith-Jones*		
Robert*	Smith-Jones*		
Robert*	*Smith*		
Bob*	Smith*		
Rob*	Smi*		
Robert*	*Jones*		
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Bob*	*Jones*		

<sup>\*</sup> This is not every possible combo

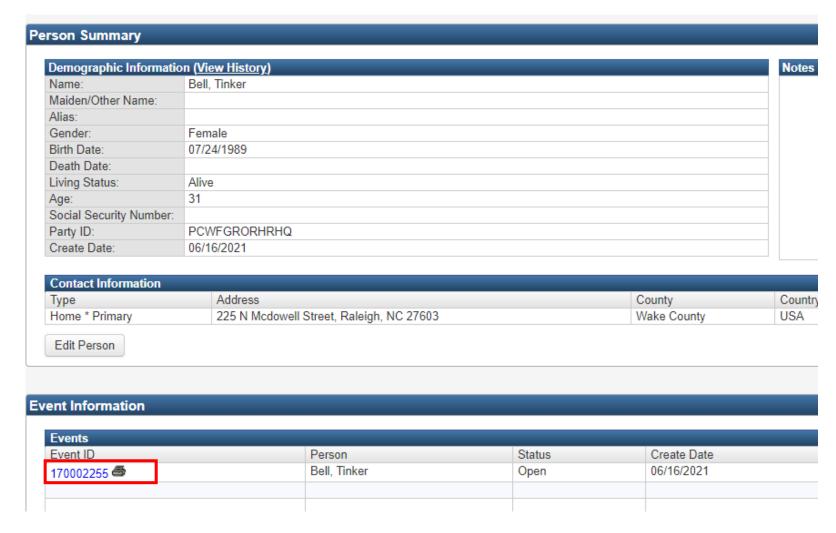
Use your best judgement to search

 Search results display to the right side of search criteria

 In order to determine if the person(s) in the search results are a match to your person, double-click the person's name to go to the person summary screen



- You will only see the events for the county group(s) you have permissions to see
- If the person had COVID in more than one county, you may not see that event





#### **DEMONSTRATION**

# **Creating New Event**



For a NEW Person

You have searched and determined that no person exists, so you create a new person

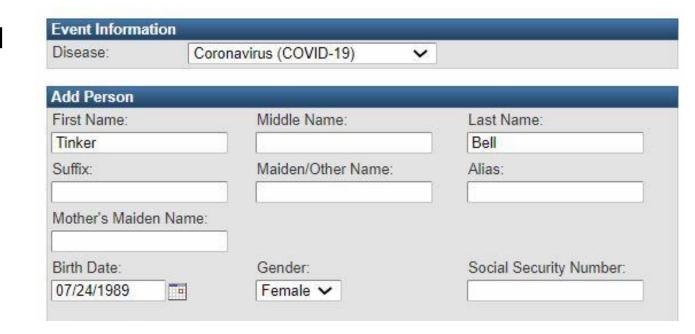
Click on Create Event icon



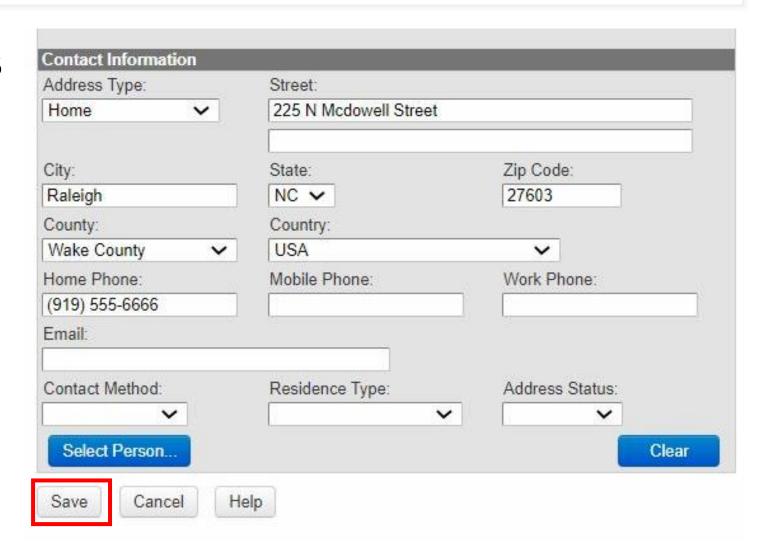
Select Disease from dropdown menu



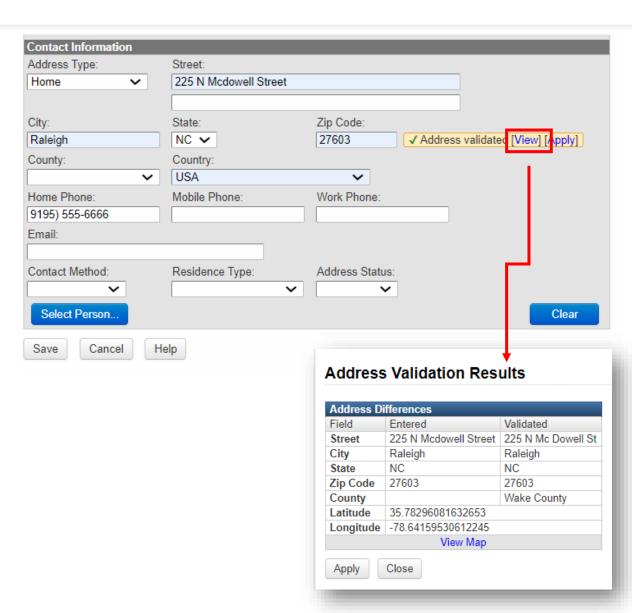
- Enter the Person information exactly as it is on the lab you have
- If there is information missing on the lab, add a note in the Investigation Trail or Dashboard
- Use sentence case format and no punctuation



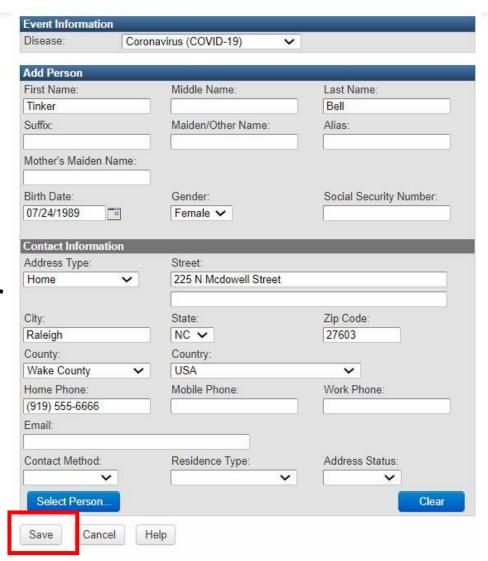
- Use USPS standards for addresses, Ex: St, Rd, Ave, etc
- Apartment, Unit, Lot number should go on the 2<sup>nd</sup> address line



**NOTE:** If the system recognizes the address, validation will run, and you may have the option to 'View' or 'Apply'. ALWAYS select 'View' as sometimes the system will change the street address. If your address matched exactly, click Apply. If they do not, click Close.



- Review the information you have entered to ensure it is accurate and complete
- Click the Save button and your person will be created, along with a new event.





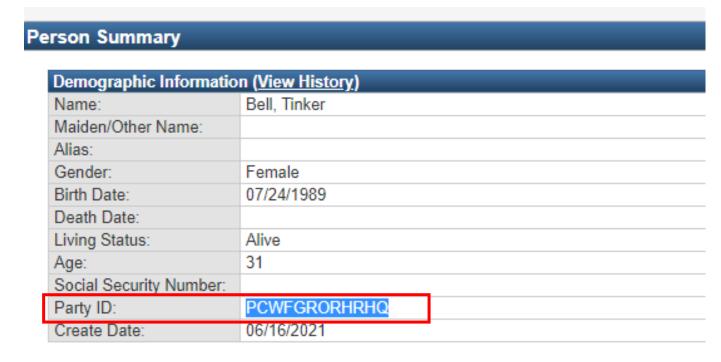
#### **DEMONSTRATION**

# **Creating New Event**

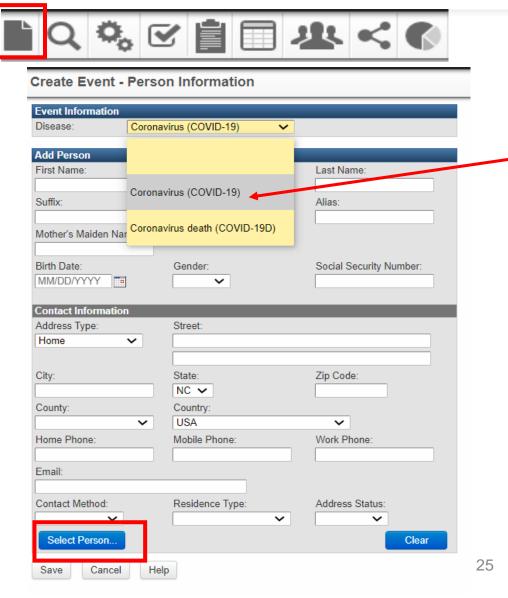


For a EXSISTING Person

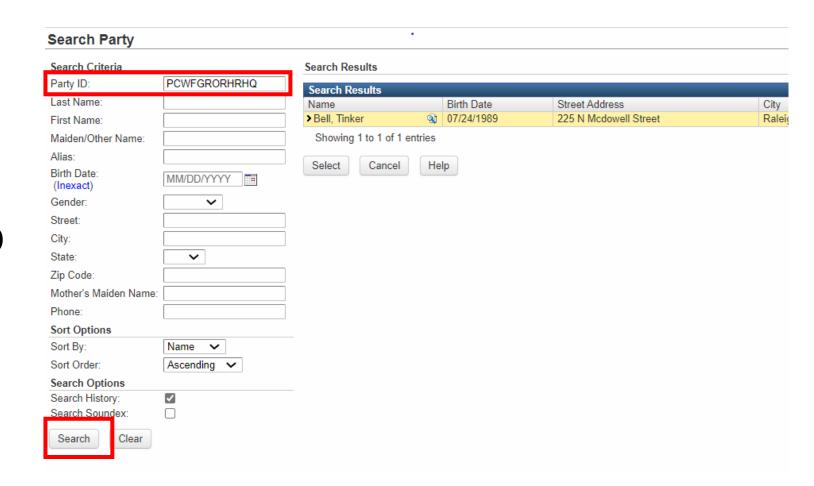
- You searched and found an existing person, but determine that you need to create a new event
- Copy the Party ID in the Demographic section of the Person Summary screen
- The Party ID is the unique identifier for this person



- Click the Create Event icon on the toolbar
- From the Create Event
   Screen, select the Disease
   and click the Select Person
   Button

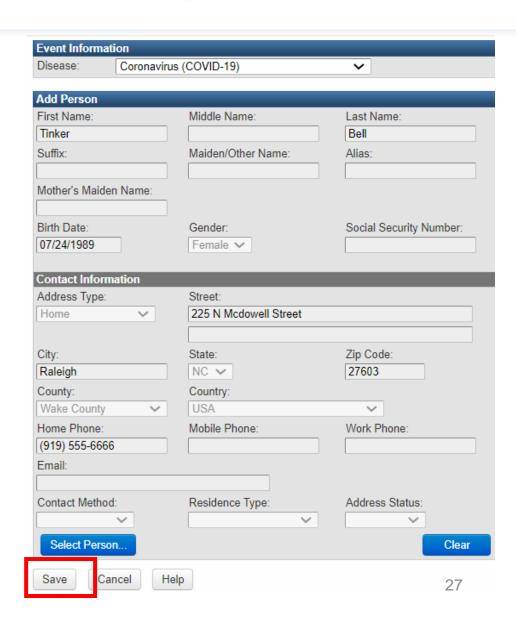


- Paste the Person ID
   that you copied from
   the Person Summary
   screen into the Party ID
   search field, then click
   the search button
- Select the person from the Search Results

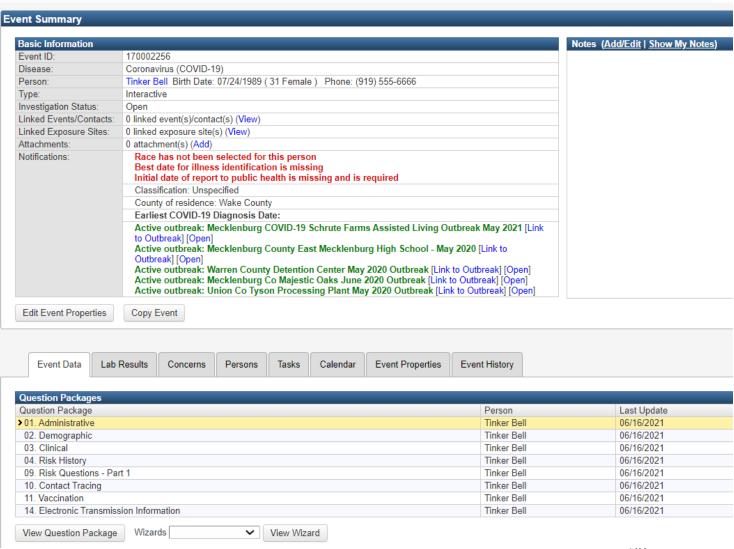


 The person information will be auto-populated in the Create Event Screen

 Click the save button to create a new event



 The new disease event is created, and the event is now ready for data entry





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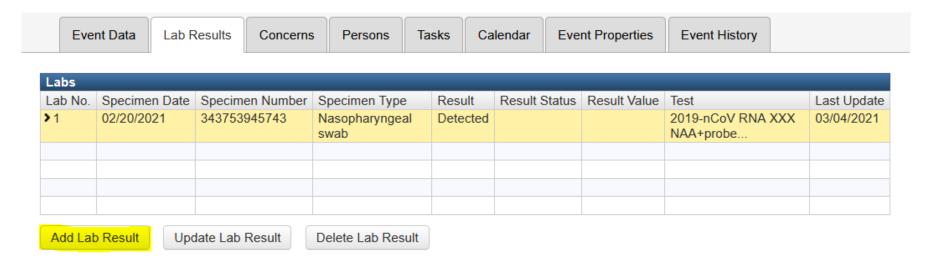
# Adding a New Lab



**On an Existing Event** 

## Add a New Lab on Existing Event

- You search and found the existing person and a review of the event shows an existing lab within 90 days
- You click the Add Lab Result button to add a new lab result to the existing event



## Add a New Lab on Existing Event

Enter all lab information and click Save

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Lab No.	Specimen Date	Specimen Number	Specimen Type	Result	Result Status	Result Value	Test	Last Updat
<b>&gt;</b> 1	02/20/2021	343753945743	Nasopharyngeal swab	Detected			2019-nCoV RNA XXX NAA+probe	03/04/2021
2	03/01/2021	89474594	Nasopharyngeal swab	Positive			SARS-CoV-2 Antigen (Ag) Res	03/04/2021



#### **DEMONSTRATION**

#### New Person, New Event or New Lab?

Now you should be able to identify which is which and avoid duplicates

# **Questions?**

If you accidentally create a duplicate person or event, please contact the NCEDSS Helpdesk at: <a href="https://www.nc.gov">NCEDSShelpdesk@dhhs.nc.gov</a> or call (919)715-5548 or toll-free at (877)625-9259

